



12-08-05

12 2194

|   |                                 |                       |                                   |  |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER              |                                 |                       | Docket No.<br>16159/023001; P6425 |  |
| Application No.<br>10/004,971-Conf. #7806 | Filing Date<br>December 3, 2001 | Examiner<br>L. Truong | Art Unit<br>2194                  |  |

Applicant(s): Syed M. Ali et al.

Invention: APPLICATION-INDEPENDENT API FOR DISTRIBUTED COMPONENT COLLABORATION

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED  |   |   |                                   |      |      |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|------|------|
|  | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Number<br>Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate |      |
| Total Claims   | 19  | - 25 =                                  |                                   | x    |      |
| Independent<br>Claims  | 5   | - 6 =                                   |                                   | x    |      |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> |   |   |                                   |      |      |
| Other fee (please specify):  |   |   |                                   |      |      |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>                          |   |   |                                   |      | 0.00 |

- ☒ Large Entity ☐ Small Entity
- ☒ No additional fee is required for this amendment.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-0591  
as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Credit any overpayment.
- ☒ Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.

Robert P. Lord

Dated: December 7, 2005

Robert P. Lord  
Attorney Reg. No.: 46,479

OSHA · LIANG LLP  
1221 McKinney St., Suite 2800  
Houston, Texas 77010  
(713) 228-8600

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EV710215495US, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: December 7, 2005

Signature: Debra V. Wieser (Debra V. Wieser)



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EV710215495US, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

Dated: December 7, 2005

Signature:

*Debra V. Wieser*  
(Debra V. Wieser)

Docket No.: 16159/023001; P6425  
(PATENT)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

Syed M. Ali et al.

Conf. No.: 7806

Application No.: 10/004,971

Art Unit: 2194

Filed: December 3, 2001

Examiner: L. Truong

For: APPLICATION-INDEPENDENT API FOR  
DISTRIBUTED COMPONENT  
COLLABORATION

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2005, please reconsider this application in view of the following.